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## City of East Ridge

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### Documentation of Purpose and Need

The Transportation Planning Organization held a session notifying all jurisdictions on the importance of becoming ADA compliant. With that said, the City of East Ridge has considered the information brought forth in that meeting and is requesting funding assistance within the 2011-2014 TIP to become ADA compliant.

Ringgold Road is the main artery within East Ridge. Every citizen and visitor uses this road to navigate through East Ridge and in and around the Chattanooga/Hamilton County/Georgia area. With that said, Ringgold Road is not currently meeting ADA standards. The City of East Ridge wants to pursue an ADA retrofitting project along Ringgold Road from South Seminole to I-75. This will include making 42 intersections along Ringgold Road ADA compliant.

Within the 2035 LRTP, CHCNGA used a performance based framework to support more effective project selection. Six LRTP goals were established, ranked and voted on by the TPO board to guide plan development. With that said the number one ranked goal is to, "Develop and maintain a transportation system which provides for the safe and secure movement of people and goods." The listed objective is to reduce traffic injuries and fatalities for motorized and non-motorized system users. (Page 25 within online LRTP) Following the lead of the number one ranked goal for the LRTP, East Ridge wants to conduct an ADA retrofit to ensure safety and security for all non-motorized and motorized users along Ringgold Road.

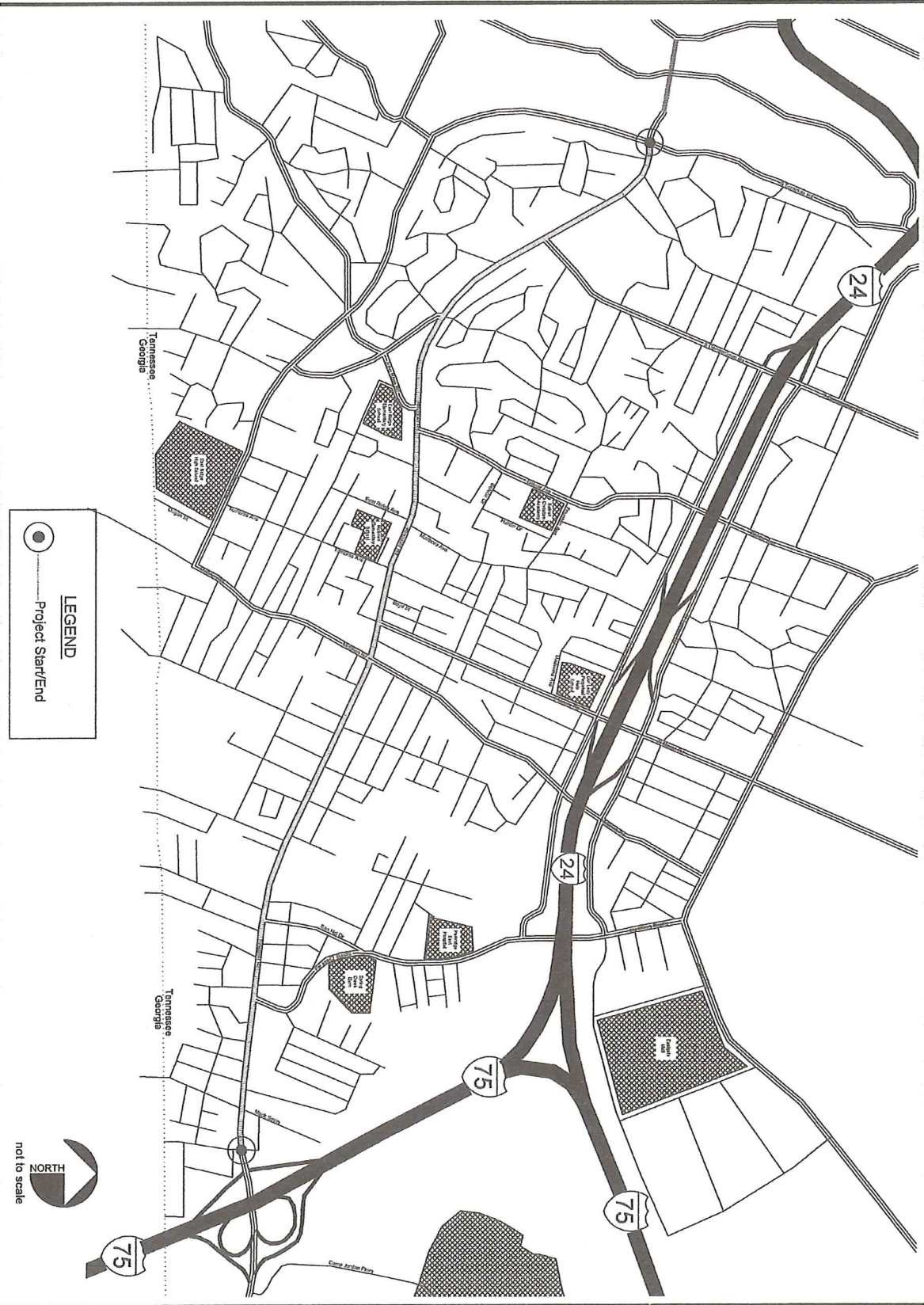
In addition, if individuals had the means and felt safer to walk and bike on Ringgold Road this could reduce the congested lane miles in the City's transportation system. This will also improve safety. Reducing congested lane miles is a listed evaluation criteria/performance measure within the LRTP for Goal 1: safe and Secure Movement of People and Goods. (Page 227 within online LRTP) If individuals had crosswalks and ramps to utilize on Ringgold Road this could improve air quality within the city. More people would choose to ride their bikes or walk to businesses on Ringgold Road instead of using their car. Furthermore, if the city could establish a safer way to travel Ringgold Road this will cut down on ideal vehicles during wrecks which could in turn assist in improving air quality.

Lastly, the city has many handicap users who need Ringgold Road to become ADA compliant to ensure their safety and well-being when traveling this road as a means to get around the city. At this point in time Ringgold Road is not safe and secure for those in wheel chairs or other motorized chairs.

**List of Intersections on Ringgold Road:**

McDonald Road  
Mack Smith Road  
Smith Street  
Spring Creek Road  
Adair Avenue  
Castleberry Avenue  
Truman Avenue  
Prater Road  
Sunnyfield Lane  
Burns Street  
Adona Lane  
Waterhouse Street  
San Hsi Drive  
Keeble Street  
Lockhart Lane  
East End Ave  
Springvale Road  
Swope Drive  
West End Avenue  
Altamaha Street  
Maxwell Road  
Fruitland Drive  
Prigmore Road  
Karwill Lane  
Rebecca Drive  
McBrien Road  
Choat Road  
Moore Road  
Armour Drive  
Boyd Street  
Dover Avenue  
Tombras Avenue  
East Ridge Avenue  
Marlboro Avenue  
Belvoir Avenue  
John Ross Road  
Wimberly Lane  
Kingwood Drive  
East Ridge Shopping Center  
Bales Avenue  
Germantown Road  
South Seminole Drive





<p><b>Location Map</b></p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">1</p>	<p>East Ridge, TN</p> <p>Drawn By: _____</p> <p>Checked By: PJD</p> <p>Date: 3.18.11</p>	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th>No.</th> <th>Revision/Issue</th> <th>Date</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1</td> <td>To City of East Ridge</td> <td>2.5.2010</td> </tr> <tr><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td></tr> <tr><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td></tr> <tr><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td></tr> <tr><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td></tr> <tr><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td></tr> <tr><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td></tr> <tr><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td></tr> <tr><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td></tr> <tr><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td></tr> </tbody> </table>	No.	Revision/Issue	Date	1	To City of East Ridge	2.5.2010																												<p><b>City of East Ridge</b></p> <p>1517 Tombras Avenue          East Ridge, TN 37412          423.867.7711</p>
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**RESOLUTION NO. 2203**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF EAST RIDGE, TENNESSEE,  
SUBMITTING A PROJECT FOR THE 2011-2014  
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM  
(TIP) IN REGARDS TO BECOMING ADA  
COMPLIANT.**

**WHEREAS**, Transportation planning provides the information, tools, and public involvement needed for improving transportation system performance; and

**WHEREAS**, Transportation planning is a continuous process that requires monitoring of the system's performance and condition; and

**WHEREAS**, the Hamilton County and North Georgia Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) manages the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), a staged, multi-year, intermodal program of prioritized transportation initiatives consistent with the Long Range Transportation Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, an initiative not listed in the TIP cannot receive Federal Highway Funding or FTA funding; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of East Ridge will submit an application to the 2011-2014 TIP process for 42 intersections along Ringgold Road to become ADA compliant; and

**WHEREAS**, the project will cost \$684,000 and the City's match will be \$136,800; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST RIDGE, TENNESSEE** that the Mayor and Council of the City of East Ridge do formally adopt the City's TIP application to be pursued and implemented when possible by the city's administration in the upcoming year.

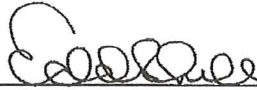
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this resolution take effect from and after its passage the public welfare of the City requiring it.

Passed this the 14th day of April 2011.



Brent Lambert, Mayor

Attest:



Eddie Phillips, Interim City Manager

Approved as to Form:



John R. Anderson, City Attorney